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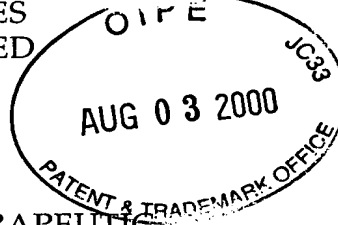
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Title : CHRONOTHERAPEUTIC
FORMULATIONS OF DILTIAZEM
AND THE ADMINISTRATION THEREOF

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Due Date: August 3, 2000

**RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION
OF MAY 3, 2000
AMENDMENTS AND REMARKS**

August 2, 2000

The Commissioner of Patents
UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE
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Crystal Plaza 2, Room 1B03
Arlington, Virginia 22202
U.S.A.

Dear Sir:

In response to the outstanding Official Action dated May 3, 2000 and due for response August 3, 2000, Applicant respectfully submits the following:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Applicant has carried out a computerized spell check of the Specification and determined that no spelling errors are present.